IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re

Chapter 11

FRANCHISE GROUP, INC., et al., 1

Case No. 24-12480 (JTD)

Debtors.

(Jointly Administered)

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND REQUEST FOR SERVICE OF PAPERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the below attorneys enter their appearance, pursuant to Rule 9010(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1, on behalf of Champion Petfoods USA Inc., Mars Petcare US, Inc. and Mars Fishcare North America, Inc. (collectively, "Creditors"). The attorneys below request, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 9007, and section 342 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, that copies of all notices and pleadings given or filed in this case be given and served at the addresses, facsimile numbers, or electronic mail addresses set forth below:

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of their U.S. federal tax identification numbers, to the extent applicable, are Franchise Group, Inc. (1876), Freedom VCM Holdings, LLC (1225), Freedom VCM Interco Holdings, Inc. (2436), Freedom Receivables II, LLC (4066), Freedom VCM Receivables, Inc. (0028), Freedom VCM Interco, Inc. (3661), Freedom VCM, Inc. (3091), Franchise Group New Holdco, LLC (0444), American Freight FFO, LLC (5743), Franchise Group Acquisition TM, LLC (3068), Franchise Group Intermediate Holdco, LLC (1587), Franchise Group Intermediate L, LLC (9486), Franchise Group Newco Intermediate AF, LLC (8288), American Freight Group, LLC (2066), American Freight Holdings, LLC (8271), American Freight, LLC (5940), American Freight Management Company, LLC (1215), Franchise Group Intermediate S, LLC (5408), Franchise Group Newco S, LLC (1814), American Freight Franchising, LLC (1353), Home & Appliance Outlet, LLC (n/a), American Freight Outlet Stores, LLC (9573), American Freight Franchisor, LLC (2123), Franchise Group Intermediate B, LLC (7836), Buddy's Newco, LLC (5404), Buddy's Franchising and Licensing LLC (9968), Franchise Group Intermediate V, LLC (5958), Franchise Group Newco V, LLC (9746), Franchise Group Intermediate BHF, LLC (8260); Franchise Group Newco BHF, LLC (4123); Valor Acquisition, LLC (3490), Vitamin Shoppe Industries LLC (3785), Vitamin Shoppe Global, LLC (1168), Vitamin Shoppe Mariner, LLC (6298), Vitamin Shoppe Procurement Services, LLC (8021), Vitamin Shoppe Franchising, LLC (8271), Vitamin Shoppe Florida, LLC (6590), Betancourt Sports Nutrition, LLC (0470), Franchise Group Intermediate PSP, LLC (5965), Franchise Group Newco PSP, LLC (2323), PSP Midco, LLC (6507), Pet Supplies "Plus", LLC (5852), PSP Group, LLC (5944), PSP Service Newco, LLC (6414), WNW Franchising, LLC (9398), WNW Stores, LLC (n/a), PSP Stores, LLC (9049), PSP Franchising, LLC (4978), PSP Subco, LLC (6489), PSP Distribution, LLC (5242), Franchise Group Intermediate SL, LLC (2695), Franchise Group Newco SL, LLC (7697), and Educate, Inc. (5722). The Debtors' headquarters is located at 109 Innovation Court, Suite J, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the foregoing demand includes not only the notices and papers referred to in the Bankruptcy Rules specified above but also includes, without limitation, any notice, application, complaint, demand, motion, petition, pleading, or request, whether formal or informal, written or oral, and whether transmitted or conveyed by mail, delivery, electronically, telephone, telegraph, telex, or otherwise filed or made with regard to the referenced case and proceedings therein.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that neither this notice of appearance nor any subsequent appearance, pleading, claim or suit is intended or shall be deemed to waive Creditors' (i) right to have final orders in non-core matters entered only after de novo review by a higher court; (ii) right to trial by jury in any proceeding so triable; (iii) right to have the reference withdrawn in any matter subject to mandatory or discretionary withdrawal; or (iv) other rights, claims, actions, defenses, setoffs, or recoupments to which Creditors are or may be entitled under agreements, in law, or in equity, all of which rights, claims, actions, defenses, setoffs, and recoupments are expressly reserved.

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